

Festivals of Ardara, 2018

Home of the Festivals

Fri 26th – Sun 28th January 2018

The Country & Western Weekend

One of Ireland's first Country Weekends and still the best.
Classes in Jiving & Line Dancing on Saturday afternoon.

Fri 26th - Robert Mizzell

Sat 27th - Gerry Guthrie

Sun 28th - Afternoon Family Dance at 4.00pm

Music in all the Pubs over the weekend

Contact: Thomas on 087 2463505

Fri 16th – Sun 18th February 2018

South of the Border Festival Weekend

A wonderful Song Contest for amateur composers with 1st Prize of €1000.00
Remembering the songs of Jimmy Kennedy & stories of Packie Manus Byrne

Fri 16th - Open Session of Music & Storytelling

Sat 17th - Children Storytelling in the afternoon with Liz Weir, Preliminary Song and Singing Contest at 6.00 pm, The Jimmy Kennedy Concert at 8.00 pm & The Stories & Recitations of Packie Manus Byrne at 10.00 pm.

Sun 18th - The Song Contest at 3.00pm with €1000 for the winner.

Fri 16th to Sunday 18th March, 2018.

St Patricks Weekend, 2017.

Ardara International Walking Festival

Ardara's renowned Walking Festival with Short, Medium & Strenuous Walks

Contact John Damian Gallagher 087 6655828

St Patricks Parade on Sunday 18th March at 3.30pm

See Brochures & Website www.ardara.ie Facebook ardaratown

This year the Parade celebrates 33 years so a special parade is planned with loads of fun and laughter.

Contact Margaret 087 2023033

Fri 4th – Mon 6th May, 2018.

The "Cup of Tae" Festival

The famous traditional Festival honouring the renowned John "the tae" Fiddler

This year the Festival honours Mairead Ni Mhaonaigh - presently one of our most famous fiddlers in Donegal.

She will be honoured at a Special Opening Concert on Friday 4th May

Workshops, Schools of Music & Street Music all weekend

For more details contact Stephen 0872424590 or cupoftaefestival.com

Fri 1st to Mon 4th June, 2018

Summer Lights & Multi Cultural Festival (June Bank Holiday)

A multicultural event of Ethnic Music, Dance & Food. See Website www.ardara.ie for this exciting & new event

Contact Pat 087 6900714

www.ardara.ie

Fri 1st to Sun 3rd June, 2018

Rás Dun na nGall

Up to 200 Cyclists and 100 Backup Staff visit Ardara

Contact John 086 3912949

In conjunction with the Summer Lights Festival

Fri 20th to Sun 22nd July, 2018.

Blue Grass Festival

This has now developed to a great event with the tops in Bluegrass in Town.

Contact: Pat: 6900714

Facebook ardaratown

Dates to be confirmed

Spanish Armada Walk –

430 year ago

De Leyva and survivors of the Duguesa Santa Ana walked from Kiltorish to Killybegs to board the Girona. Two days of walking and more

Summer 2018: Date tba

Contact 087 9214206 ardaraheritagehistory@gmail.com

Facebook: [ardaraheritagehistory](https://www.facebook.com/ardaraheritagehistory)

July & August, 2018.

Bart Whelan Photographic Exhibition

Visit the popular Exhibition in the Heritage Centre

Contact Bart 087 7691467

Sun 4th to 11th August, 2018

Wild Atlantic Week 2018

A week of Special Events for visitors and the Community alike

See special Brochure or Ardara.ie for more information

Contact: Stephen - 087 2424590

Sat 11th August, 2018.

The Ardara Agricultural Show

One of the top Agricultural Shows in Ireland

Contact Tracey 087 2393460

Sunday 18th August, 2018.

The Big Summer Charity Barbeque

Corner House, Ardara starting at 5pm

For more information Contact Stephen Slowey 087 9861604

Fri 21st to Sun 23rd September, 2018.

The Johnny Doherty Irish Traditional Music & Dancing Week-End

Ceili, Barn and Set Dancing nightly with Schools of Dance daily

Contact: Pat - 087 6900714

www.johnnydohertyfestival.com

Fri 12th to Sun 14th October, 2018.

The Warp and The Weft

To commemorate the 430th year of the Spanish Armada Shipwrecks along the West Coast of Ireland in 1588.

A mix of archaeology, history, folklore and more

Contact: Paula Harvey - 087 9214206

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Fri 9th to Sun 11th Nov, 2018.

The Matchmaking Week-End

Top Bands in Town and many new novel matchmaking games.

Music in all the Pubs.

Contact Liam 087 1700588

Fri 29th December, 2018.

Poor Farmers Auction - Teagues Bar

A night of fun and craic for a fundraising event for charity

Contact John 087 8265334

Fri 25th to Sun 27th Jan, 2019.

The Country & Western Week-End

A weekend of fun and dance with Irelands top Country bands

Classes in Jiving and Line Dancing on Saturday afternoon

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You may keep up to date with these events by viewing on:

www.cupoftaefestival.com www.ardara.ie

Facebook: ardaratown ardaracountryfestival